

# ELECTRICITY OVERSIGHT BOARD

**CLASSIFICATION:** Research Program Specialist II (Economics)

**SALARY:** \$4,960-\$6,028

**TENURE/TIME BASE:** Permanent/Full Time

**LOCATION:** California Electricity Oversight Board  
770 "L" Street, Suite 1250  
Sacramento, California

**FINAL FILING DATE:** Until Filled

Under the general direction of the Executive Director, the incumbent serves as the prime resource person in the evaluation of the performance and function of California's electricity markets. The incumbent designs, directs and is lead on major research projects including economic, financial, and policy analyses undertaken by the Electricity Oversight Board. Tasks include providing expert consultant direction for legal evidence on the feasibility, impact, or potential economic and financial benefits of electricity market proposals. In addition, the incumbent performs research studies, drafts issue memos on significant policy issues, and advises management and staff on research findings and sensitive economic issues related to the performance and effectiveness of electricity markets.

## DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:

Complete and provide analyses on proceedings or pending litigation before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and other policy and regulatory bodies on matters related to California's electricity markets. Assist the research staff with participation in such matters. Act as a technical expert in support of filings before the FERC and other regulatory agencies. Assist the legal staff with selecting expert witnesses. Design, plan, organize, and conduct research studies related to the electricity markets. Prepare written analyses, evaluate results, and recommend courses of action to management. Plan and assist in directing major complex research projects or activities and the process and methodology of policy and technical research. Assist the research staff in developing tools to be used in analyses of electricity markets and the resultant potential impacts on the state's consumers and economy. Recommend training of research staff in theoretical constructs and applications of theory. Act as a contract manager for consultants that provide economic or financial research for expert testimony before the FERC or other regulatory bodies.

**DESIRABLE EXPERIENCE/QUALIFICATIONS:** The successful applicant should have:

- Ability to reason logically and creatively and utilize a variety of analytical techniques to resolve problems.
- Ability to analyze written and statistical data and draw logical conclusions.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Strong analytical, inter-personal, and computer skills.
- Good organizational skills and the ability to work well under pressure and in a team environment, and meet multiple deadlines.

**WHO SHOULD APPLY:** All interested eligible persons are encouraged to apply. Applicants must have either transfer, list, reinstatement or SROA/Surplus eligibility. **Applicant must clearly indicate basis of their eligibility, including SROA, surplus, reemployment status, or list eligibility in Item #12 on the State Application.** Applications will be screened for experience and only the most qualified will be contacted for an interview. **In the Job Title box of the State application, please indicate:** Research Program Specialist II (Economics). No faxed applications will be considered.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS SHOULD SUBMIT A COMPLETED STANDARD STATE APPLICATION (FORM STD. 678) TO:

Sharon Howell, Personnel  
Electricity Oversight Board  
770 "L" Street, Suite 1250  
Sacramento, CA 95814

For additional information, please call (916) 322-8601, CALNET 492-8601.

**DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD**